



PUBLIC NOTICE

File Number: NRS 15.340

Pursuant to Chapter 0400-4-7 of the Department's rules, the proposed activity described below has been submitted for approval under an Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit and §401 Water Quality Certification. This notice is intended to inform interested parties of this permit application and to ask for comments and information necessary to determine possible impacts to water quality. No decision has been made whether to issue or deny this application.

APPLICANT: **Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County**
Division of Parks
Attn: Thomas Lynch
701 South Sixth Street
Nashville, TN 37206
615-252-8450

LOCATION: The proposed alterations to waters of the state are located on the Cumberland River between the Woodland Street Bridge and the Korean Veteran's Memorial Bridge in downtown Nashville. Davidson County (Coordinates: 36.1631, -86.7718)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This public notice is a re-notice of currently authorized project, Nashville Riverfront Park. Metro Nashville was issued a permit, NRS10.319 in 2011 that will expire on 2-22-2016. To prevent a lapse in permit coverage, the City is requesting re-authorization. There have been no significant modifications to the plans. This public notice period is for twenty days.

Metropolitan Nashville Parks Department, proposes to improve and extend the existing Riverfront Park to both the East and West Banks of Cumberland River. Some of these improvements will serve to reinforce and enhance existing areas, such as upgrading facilities at the City Wharf, complete missing links like the East Bank Greenway, or improve connections between Broadway Street and the riverfront. Other projects introduce new urban parks, active and passive recreation uses and waterfront features, such as piers, overlooks and boardwalks along the river's edge.

Volume of fill for entire project

Below the normal pool elevation there is proposed 2,184 CY cut and 3,499 CY fill. Between the normal pool and the 100-year flood elevation there is proposed 41,322 CY cut and 14,477 CY of fill. Fill will be placed over 0.34 AC of existing open-water area.

Western Bank

Public Square Bluff

Removal of invasive plant species from existing riverbank.

Placement of 300 LF rip rap.

300 LF of riverbank will be re-graded and planted with native woody species.

The Terraces

Construction of a 30' wide x 65' long pile supported pier deck cantilevering 5' over the existing bank at a height of 46' above normal pool.

Removal of invasive plant species from existing riverbank.

Placement of 140 LF rip rap.

140 LF of riverbank will be regraded and planted with native woody species.

Construct a 12' wide spiral ramp supported boardwalk and ramp.

Repairs of wharf deck and guardrail, new mooring fenders added at 40' centers.

Realignment of stairs and new ramps added to improve accessibility.

Fountain jets mounted on existing dolphins.

Construction of a 30' wide x 65' long pile supported pier deck cantilevering 5' over the existing pool at a height of 31' above normal pool but not projecting into the river beyond the existing dolphin line.

West Bank Rambles

Placement of 780 LF rip rap.

780 LF of riverbank will be regraded and planted with native woody species.

Existing Wharf Service Access: relocation of entrance drive to south side of Shelby Bridge.

Renovation of existing floating docks, widening to 20', replacement of existing gangways. Extension upriver of floating docks approximately 200' long to connect to base of Demonbreun Street Pier stair's lower landing.

Construction of a 10" wide mid-bank accessible route.

Demonbreun Street Pier

Construction of a 30' wide x 65' long pile supported pier deck cantilevering 5' over the existing pool at a height of 34' above normal pool but not projecting into the river beyond the existing dock line.

Construction of a 24' wide stair from top of bank to mid-bank accessible route.

Eastern Bank

Woodland Street Pedestrian Bridge Walk

A pedestrian bridge will "clip-on" to the south side of the existing Woodland St Bridge

East Bank Rambles

Placement of 1470 LF rip rap including the HV Electrical Tower footings.

1470 LF of riverbank will be regraded and planted with native woody species.

Construction of a 20' wide pile supported floating dock walkway for a total length of 1200 LF for transient recreation boats. The docks will be supported by steel pipe hinged piles anchored into the existing rock.

The docks are connected and accessed from the shore via ADA accessible routes and gangways. The down river end of the dock will provide water hook-ups and sewer pump

out utilities for recreational boater use. No fuel service is proposed.

Construction of approximately 1100' of a mid-bank 5' wide trail and accessible route to each gangway.

Service Access: Construction of approximately 500' of a 10' wide path and accessible route to each northern gangway.

The Overlook

Placement of 120 LF rip rap around base of Overlook fill area.

120 LF of riverbank will be regraded and planted with native woody species.

Install a 100,000 Gallon underground irrigation tank above normal pool.

The Lawn

Placement of 350 LF articulated armor mat along the shoreline.

320 LF of riverbank will be regraded and planted with grass lawn.

Construct 2 mooring rings to support the temporary mooring of commercial riverboats and stage barge fitted with spuds.

Bridge Building Plaza & Landing

Construct 10' wide x 163' long mooring pontoon to support the occasional docking of commercial riverboats.

Renovation of existing floating docks, replacement of existing gangway with new ADA compliant gangway. Extension down river of floating dock approximately 30' long to enable a gangway connection to the mooring pontoon.

Pedestrian Access: Construction of approximately 275' of 10' wide ramp as the accessible route to the gangway.

DEGRADATION: In accordance with the Tennessee Antidegradation Statement (Rule 0400-40-03-.06), the division has determined that the proposed activities will not result in degradation to water quality.

WATERSHED / WATERBODY DESCRIPTION: The proposed alterations to waters of the state are located in the Cumberland-Lower-Sycamore (Cheatham Lake) Watershed HUC #05130202. The Cheatham Lake Watershed is approximately 647 square miles and drains to the Cumberland River and located in Middle Tennessee and includes parts of Cheatham, Davidson, Robertson, Rutherford, Sumner, and Williamson Counties. More information on this watershed can be found at <http://www.tennessee.gov/environment/article/wr-ws-cheatham-lake-watershed>

Stream Name / ID #: Cumberland River (#TN05130202001_4000)

Ecoregion: Outer Nashville Basin (#71h)

Designated Use

Fish and aquatic life

Recreation

Irrigation

Livestock watering & wildlife

Use Support

fully supporting

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Causes

NA

Assessment Date: 11-19-2007

PERMIT COORDINATOR: Vena Jones

FACTORS CONSIDERED: In deciding whether to issue or deny a permit, the department will consider all comments of record and the requirements of applicable federal and state laws. In making this decision, a determination will be made regarding the lost value of the resource compared to the value of any proposed mitigation. The department shall consider practicable alternatives to the alteration. The department shall also consider loss of waters or habitat, diminishment in biological diversity, cumulative or secondary impacts to the water resource, and adverse impact to unique, high quality, or impaired waters.

COMMENTING: Persons wishing to comment on the proposal are invited to submit written comments to the department. Written comments must be received within **twenty days of the date that this notice is posted**. Comments will become part of the record and will be considered in the final decision. The applicant's name and permit number should be referenced. Send all written comments to the department's address listed below and to the attention of the permit coordinator.

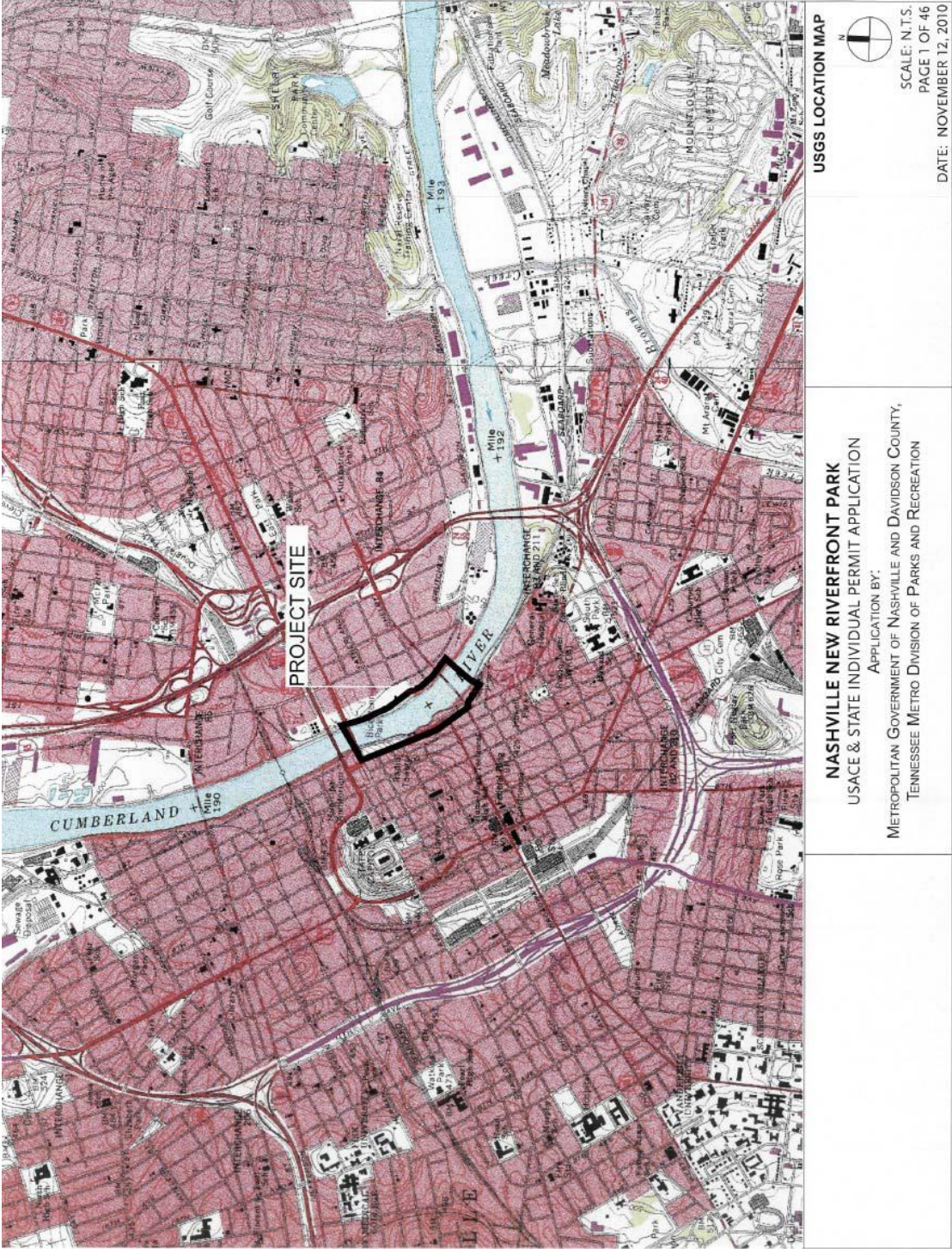
PUBLIC HEARING: Interested persons may request in writing that the department hold a public hearing on this application. The request must be filed within the comment period, indicate the interest of the person requesting it, the reasons that the hearing is warranted, and the water quality issues being raised. When there is sufficient public interest in water quality issues, the department will hold a public hearing. Send all public hearing request to the department's address listed below and to the attention of the permit coordinator.

APPEAL: A permit appeal may be filed, pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 69-3-105(i) and Rule 0400-40-05, by the permit applicant or by any aggrieved person who participated in the public comment period announced by this notice. This petition must be filed within TWENTY (20) DAYS after public notice of the issuance of the permit. The petition must specify what provisions are being appealed and the basis for the appeal. It should be addressed to the technical secretary of the Tennessee Board of Water Quality, Oil and Gas at the following address: Tisha Calabrese Benton, Director, Division of Water Resources, William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower, 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave, 11th floor, Nashville, TN 37243. Any hearing would be in accordance with T.C.A. §§69-3-110 and 4-5-301 et seq.

FILE REVIEW: The permit application, supporting documentation including detailed plans and maps, and related comments are available at the department's address (listed below) for review and/or copying.

Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation
Division of Water Resources, Natural Resources Unit
William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower
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Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Location/Topographic Map





Site Designs

